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### Female hostage freed after raid in Mosul

MOSUL, Iraq – Acting on an anonymous tip, Iraqi military officials diverted soldiers already on patrol to a suspicious building believed to be sheltering anti-Iraq force members involved in a kidnapping June 8, according to a multinational forces report.

Upon entering the building, Iraqi soldiers with the 3rd Brigade, 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Iraqi Intervention Force began to receive small arms fire. One soldier was wounded in the brief exchange of fire. Shortly thereafter, Iraqi soldiers were able to secure the building.

Upon searching the house, soldiers discovered the kidnapped female who was identified as a local television journalist. She appeared slightly beaten, but otherwise uninjured. Other items found included two AK-47 automatic rifles, four grenades, one flack vest, one Motorola radio, and a receipt detailing a vehicle purchase in Syria. No AIF bodies were found inside.

The IIF initiated a search of the area and located a suspected AIF with superficial wounds on the head. The suspect was detained and later identified by the female victim.

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